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Post delivered reftel A dipnote on August 29, 2006 in support of Michael Matheson for re-election to the International Law Commission. Post did not receive a written response, but in follow-up consultations, Mauricio Ruiz, Director of Candidacies at the MFA told poloff that the GOES would commit to supporting Mr. Matheson's candidacy in exchange for US support for a position on the UNDP Executive Council. Poloff explained that it is not our policy to commit to support in exchange for a vote, but that post would pass the message on to Washington. Ruiz indicated to poloff that the MFA would not make a decision on this candidacy, nor send instructions to their Mission in New York, but rather that the Salvadoran delegation in New York would decide whom to support. Barclay